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Re:	Proposed Agenda for Examiner Interview For Patent Application No.: 10/726,338		

Message:

The following proposed agenda for an Examiner interview is being sent as per the request of Examiner Michael Pham.

We understand that once given the included proposed agenda, the Examiner will be contacting us early next week with a proposed time and data for a teleconference meeting.

Should any additional information be required before a meeting can be scheduled, the Examiner is invited to contact one of the attorneys for the Applicants, either Agapito Sustaita at 512-439-5085, or Jonathan Geld at 512-439-5090.

Thank you,
Agapito Sustaita

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Proposed Agenda for Examiner Interview

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I. PURPOSE

- a. Understanding the Examiner's objections in order to properly address the objections and move prosecution forward.

II. OFFICE ACTION DISCUSSION REGARDING GREENFIELD

- a. A relational database is queried with an SQL query.
- b. A relational database is two dimensional, and therefore multidimensional.
- c. Therefore, the SQL query is effectively a multidimensional query.

III. APPLICANTS' PERSPECTIVE

- a. Relational database tables are two dimensional (rows & columns).
- b. The claimed multidimensional database comprises more than two dimensions.

IV. PROPOSED SOLUTION

a. PROPOSED AMENDMENT

- i. Discuss possibility of an amendment that distinguishes between the claimed multidimensional database and the cited relational database.

b. SUPPORT IN THE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSAL:

- i. General understanding within the field of art regarding the difference between these types of databases.
- ii. Original Specification: Paragraph [0003]: "MD databases use the idea of a data cube to represent different dimensions of data available to a user."
- iii. Original Specification: Paragraphs [0040]-[0044]: Constructing the relational model from cubes.